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Attorney Docket No.	500-3013-U
First Inventor	Subrata Mokerji
Title	Zirconium Nitride Coating Having a top layer thereon
Express Mail Label No.	EL668028745US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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Prior application information:

Examiner **A. Turner**Group Art Unit **1775**

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Filing Date: 11/02/00 Docket No.: 500-3013-U

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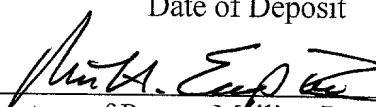
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